

THE MARBLE HILL PRESS.

TWENTY FIFTH YEAR.

The columns of THE PRESS are always free to the people of the county for discussion of questions of local interest.

For political party that fails to get a lesson from the elections of this, and last year, will stand a mighty good chance to regret it. Only one short year ago Ohio gave the republican ticket about 250,000 plurality and on Tuesday of last week the entire democratic ticket was elected by majorities, over the republican ticket, ranging as high as 40,000 votes. This certainly means that thousands of republicans voted the democratic ticket. In New York Mr. Jerome made his race as an independent candidate and made a hard fight on the bosses and was elected. Reform forces were victorious in Philadelphia, where graft and boodling has been rampant for years. All this, coupled with the returns from a number of states a year ago, goes to prove positively that the people are doing lots of independent voting and the party that puts up candidates distasteful to the people will stand an excellent chance to go down in defeat. When the people get enough of anything they quit, and sometimes very suddenly.

Feeding the Plant.

[Weekly Agriculture Letter.] We must feed our plants. Missouri agriculture has reached that stage of development where it is necessary for us to feed our plants, just as we feed our animals. The time was, when we had abundant range, that we scarcely considered it necessary to feed our farm stock. Until now, our soils have been rich enough so there was no necessity for feeding our plants.

That this is a live issue with the Missouri farmer is evidenced by the fact that he paid this fall for commercial fertilizers, that is, for artificial plant food, over one third of a million dollars. The commercial fertilizer bill of the farmers of Pennsylvania is every year more than five million dollars, and increasing annually. This indicates what we are coming to.

Upon the rational feeding of the plants, or upon the rational handling of the soil, rests a permanently prosperous agriculture. An improper handling of our soil will in the end bring disaster.

A soil becomes poor or unproductive from a combination of causes, the chief ones being the removal of the plant food in the crops sold off, in the washing of the surface, and in the burning of the vegetable matter thru continuous cultivation, so as to leave the soil heavy, clammy, and not resistant to droughts.

The three elements of plant food first exhausted are: Nitrogen, costing from 15c to 20c a pound, Phosphorus, costing from 3c to 5c a pound, and Potash, costing from 4c to 5c a pound. These are the three elements which the farmer pays for when he buys commercial fertilizers.

Generally speaking, our upland soils are exhausted of their available nitrogen supply first, their available phosphoric acid supply second. Potash is the last element of the three to be exhausted on our clay soils although in some of our light sandy lands this element is very early exhausted.

Nitrogen promotes rank growth and foliage and stalk, and gives the dark, rich green color to crops. The land that grows this rank vegetation one season with another and produces an abundance of foliage is certain to contain plenty of available nitrogen. If the plants are usually small and somewhat pale in color, it is practically certain that there is a marked deficiency of nitrogen.

On the other hand, if the plants are not well filled with grain one season with another, i. e., if there is too much straw for the grain in wheat and the berry lacks plumpness and richness of color, it is very likely that phosphoric acid is deficient.

Land that has been in cultivation a long time, washed badly, bakes readily, and the crops suffer badly from drought, needs more vegetable matter, and usually at the same time needs nitrogen and phosphorus, and on the light sandy lands needs potash as well. But on the stiff clays it does not usually require an application of potash.

The way to get and apply these different ingredients to the best advantage will be covered in next week's issue of this paper.

H. J. WATERS, Dean Agricultural College.

East News.

Bolt was killed by a rating in the shaft at Elvins on Nov.

Ida Ferling aged 22, of Elvins ended her life by swallowing carbolic acid November 6.

The Teacher's Association of St. Francois county has requested the prosecuting attorney to call special attention of the grand jury to the cigarette law which appears to be violated to the injury of young pupils in the schools.

W. H. Lewis of Flat River, former editor of the Piedmont Banner, was in De Soto last Sunday to attend the meeting of the printers' union. It is reported here that Mr. Lewis is organizing a stock company to start a democratic paper at Flat River.

Cat's Corner.

A "pet" gray wolf broke its chain at Headquarters, a small station on the Frisco last week, and attacked Mrs. Stroud, wounding her severely before men working at the mill came and killed it. The wolf belonged to Clint Darling, all according to the Puxico Index.

Bloomfield Courier.

The success with cotton this year will result in a much larger planting next season, altho none will plant cotton exclusively. Any farmer with good land can raise four acres of cotton without feeling the loss of time as the work comes mostly between times in the cultivation and harvesting of corn, wheat and grasses.

Dunklin Democrat.

The Malden Merit tells of the experience of some innocents up that way who ordered groceries from a traveling Kansas City fakir. One man, W. W. Gordon, ordered 50 lbs. sugar, 50 lbs. coffee, 6 lbs. soda 1 can baking powder, to cost \$8.82. When the goods came the order had been stuffed and he was made to pay for the coffee and sugar, 12 lbs. of soda, 2 of ginger, 2 of pepper 5 of rice, 1 of nutmeg, 1 can baking powder, a total of \$27.50, or 18.68, more than he ordered. Home merchants would not be permitted to live in a town if they robbed that way.

Charleston Courier.

Rumors are in circulation that several new railroads will cross the Mississippi on the Illinois bridge in the near future. The Williamsville road has extensions that way, and the Mobile & Ohio, soon to build into Chicago, is casting a wishful eye in this direction, and so is the Burlington. A direct route to Kansas City is still another probability. In the next ten years it is possible that Scott county will have as many railroad connections as St. Louis now has. What a blunder not to have provided trolley, wagon, and foot accommodations when the bridge was building.

Dunklin Democrat.

Circuit court will be in session, next Monday, and is billed to hold, off and on, until January 5, 1906, or 38 court days. The docket, which the Democrat printed this week, has on it about 600 cases. Of these, 74 are divorce cases, many of them having come over from the May term. The only murder case is that against Warren Stanley. A great mass of local option cases, generally ones, are on the docket. There is plenty of business before the court to keep it busy until January, and Judge Fort having recovered his health, will likely stay with it. He has but two counties—Dunklin and Stoddard—to look after now.

Perryville Sun.

Game Warden Allen had William Webster, a colored man residing near the St. Mary's seminary, arrested and arraigned before Squire Robert T. Brown last Saturday for illegally killing quails. The darkey pleaded guilty to the charge and a fine of \$25 and costs was assessed against him, amounting to \$33.05. This being the mildest fine under the present game law. The colored gentleman said that he killed only two of the above named feathered tribe, and that he has no desire to kill any more of them in or out of the season specified by the law. Buying meat at this rate per pound would make a millionaire's "eyes water."

Morehouse Sun.

Miss Jennie Moyer, 18 year-old daughter of our well-known citizen J. C. Moyer, was struck by the west bound Iron Mountain passenger yesterday evening and died about ten minutes later at the residence of ———. Alsup, where she was taken immediately after the accident. Miss Moyer had started to go to get bread for supper and reached the railroad just as the passenger was coming into town. The head of the train was oncoming

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Our Correspondents.

James' Creek.

Here I come again. Health is good in our community. Corn gathering is the program with our farmers. William Tankersley and family returned from Indian Territory last week. Ben Cook has a contract to clear a large newground for J. J. Mayfield and has a good start on it. William Masters was married one day last week. His wife came from Indian Territory, and met him at Lutesville.

A Mr. Williams of Nebraska has purchased a farm of J. H. McKinsey and expects to make his home here. We welcome him and his family to our community.

Some of our people who went to the cotton country have returned home. They say the rain interfered too much with cotton picking this season.

Misses Etta, Emma and Eva Mayfield made our school a pleasant call Friday. A little girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Angle recently, but the little one died. Its remains were buried in the Cook cemetery. The writer sympathizes with the bereaved family. J. H. McKinsey made a business trip to Lutesville Friday.

LITTLE BILL.

With the exception of bad colds, this community is enjoying splendid health. Miss Clara Walker who is teaching her second term of school in the Hahn district visited home folks near Marble Hill Saturday and Sunday.

Moses Limbaugh, ex-collector of

and not realizing the close proximity of the locomotive started across the track. The engineer immediately reversed the engine but not in time as the pilot struck her and hurled her body several yards from the engine. The accident is very much regretted as it blotted out a useful life and none are more sorry than the train crew.

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Bollinger county, now residing in Colorado, was shaking hands with old friends in our vicinity last week.

A new sawmill rig is at work on the farm of Perry Starkey, and is sawing a nice lot of black oak.

Curtis Dennis of Patton was a welcome visitor in this neighborhood Sunday.

J. Fulton Zimmerman who has charge of our school, went home Friday night to visit home folks and also to see his brother-in-law Dr. J. R. Talley of Mountain Grove, Mo., who was spending a few days visiting his native county.

A protracted meeting is in progress at Liberty this week, and it is to be hoped that much good may be done for the cause of Christ.

R. E. Sitzes who has had employment in Illinois for several months is at home again and attending church at Liberty Sunday night.

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Mrs. Shinkard visited at the home of Mrs. Proctor one day last week.

The Hahn school is getting along nicely. Miss Kate Limbaugh is the teacher and is giving general satisfaction.

Dan Kinder, who lived on Stroder branch, has moved over to Whitewater.

W. A. Propst assisted Leo Shinkard on his new barn last week.

A little stranger called at the home of Rev. Shinkard last week, and wants board for 21 years.

Miss Ruth Limbaugh was quite ill last week but she is able to be in school again.

Miss Bertha Propst visited at Millerville recently. Four gentlemen from Appleton have recently purchased the mill there and are running it regularly, and making a good grade of flour.

Three strange men came into this community recently and are taking options or leases on some of the farms for mining purposes. They have rented John Horn's farm and are sinking a shaft near the road. The latest report is that they have not found any mineral, but they have unearthed some pieces of bones and earthen pots. The supposition is that they dug into an Indian grave. We all hope they will find mineral and lots of it.

Rans Estes is making his home with W. A. Propst this winter.

Dan Cole has employment with the Brown stove factory this week. Mrs. Lizzie Hahn visited Mrs. Rebecca Propst last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Propst were at Millerville last Wednesday.

ACST CHOLLY.

Glen Allen.

Scott Rhodes, wife, and little daughter who have been visiting Mr. Rhodes' father of this place went to Gordonville last Friday for a few days' vacation before resuming his position as book-keeper.

Mrs. Jennie Dorris is visiting in Fredericktown this week.

J. Q. Stevens, J. A. Metloth, and P. J. Burford attended a Masonic meeting at Marble Hill last Friday night.

H. A. Rhodes went to Chaffee last Thursday on business, returning Friday.

Roswell, and John Clay visited home folks at Cornwall, last Sunday.

Misses Della Rhodes and Stacia Zimmerman were shopping at Lutesville last Saturday.

Mrs. P. J. Burford returned home from Blodgett Sunday, where she has been visiting a few days.

John Rhodes' son Roscoe, of Jackson, is spending a few days

on our streets last Saturday.

Dr. Wilson and family attended Sunday school at Lutesville, Sunday.

Mrs. Cowan, who has been visiting the family of John Rhodes for a few days returned to her home at Jackson Saturday.

Our farmers have been very busy gathering corn the past week.

W. C. Myers of Buchanan passed thru our burg Sunday on his way to St. Louis to buy his winter's stock of goods.

Rev. W. H. Cunningham delivered an excellent sermon to an attentive audience at the Methodist church Sunday a. m.

Charles Cooper went out to Grassy Sunday to see a very dear friend.

Several of our youngsters attended church at Marble Hill Sunday night.

John Engle and family of near town went to Oran Sunday.

Andrew Patton's little baby died here Sunday evening of diphtheria. The little one and its mother came up from Kennett on the north bound train, and the child never seemed to be very sick until the train was leaving Oran, when it was discovered that it was dangerously sick. An effort was made at every station to secure a physician, but none was found until the train got to Lutesville, where Dr. Chandler was called and did all he could but without success, as the little one was dying then. The remains of the little one were taken out to their home about 10 miles north of here immediately after its death.

Julius Rhodes has been very sick, but is improving at present.

Miss Hattie Robins and Fred Elfrank of Lutesville were in our town a few minutes Sunday.

William Crader's little girl, who lives about two miles west of town died early Tuesday morning with diphtheria; also Loranee Crosby's little girl who lives about four miles west of here, of diphtheria. The remains of the little ones were interred in the Glen Allen cemetery Tuesday evening.

Mrs. H. L. Hale came down from Cornwall Monday to join her husband who is buying hog logs at this place.

U. D. Rhodes and wife who have been visiting relatives here and at Marble Hill for the past week returned to their home at Jefferson City Tuesday.

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